

COCKRAN GOES AFTER THE RULER

Denounces What He Terms the Effort of the Executive to Usurp the Authority of Congress.

New York Orator Makes New Pension Bill Text for an Impassioned Appeal.

POLITICS IN UPPER HOUSE

Spooner Charges Democrats With Effort to Manufacture Campaign Material Out of Postoffice Conduct.

Washington, April 9.—The recent executive order of the president relating to age as an evidence of pensionable disability today furnished the text for an impassioned appeal by Bourke Cockran of New York to members of the house to uphold the dignity of that body by refusing to submit to what he alleged to be a usurpation of the legislative authority of congress by the executive. The president and the secretary of the interior found warm supporters in Messrs. Dalzell, Grosvenor, Gibson, Calderhead, Lacey and Hepburn. The debate occurred on the resolution introduced by Cockran directing the committee on judiciary to investigate the recent pension order. It had been reported from the committee on rules with the recommendation that it lie on the table, and this was adopted by a narrow majority of votes. Three republicans, Cushman, Littlefield and McCall, voted with the democrats against tabling the resolution.

POLITICS IN UPPER HOUSE.

Spooner Replies to Democratic Strictures on Postoffice Affair.

Washington, April 9.—In the senate today Mr. Spooner replied to the democratic strictures on the conduct of the postoffice department, and also traversed quite an extensive political field. He charged that the efforts on the part of the democratic senators to secure a congressional inquiry were in the interest of party politics. He also defended the president against the charge of violating the law, which he said

had been made by the democrats, declaring that in nothing was the president so much distinguished as in his determination to enforce the law. No progress was made on the postoffice bill.

The conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was partially read, but further consideration was postponed on the suggestion that the conferees had inserted provisions that had not been passed by either house.

The bill for the aid of the Portland exposition and the Philippine coastwise shipping bill were passed finally by accepting the house amendments.

Deferred Until Next Session.

Washington, April 9.—The senate committee on public lands has agreed to postpone until the next session of congress the bill to transfer control of the forest reserves from the interior department to the forestry division of the agricultural department.

Baseball Scores.

San Francisco—Portland 4, Oakland 5.
Los Angeles—Seattle 2, Los Angeles 4.
Fresno—San Francisco 10, Tacoma 5.

WILL INSTRUCT FOR PARKER.

McCarren Says New York Convention Will Back the Jurist.

New York, April 9.—Democratic conventions were held tonight in 21 assembly districts of Kings county for the selection of three delegates and alternates from each district to the state convention, which meets at Albany on April 18. Senator McCarren carried 17 of the 21 districts.

In accordance with the desires of Chairman Murphy, resolutions for uninstructed delegations to the state convention were adopted unanimously in Deputy Fire Commissioner Doyle's district, the Seventh, and in the Ninth. Senator McCarren had passed the word that the custom in Kings county of not instructing delegates should be strictly observed, but he declared the state convention will instruct as a body for Judge Parker.

Among the delegates elected were Hugh McLaughlin and Senator McCarren.

Tour of Italian Band.

Portland, April 9.—The Portland Italian band of 35 pieces, under the leadership of Louis d'Urbano, starts Tuesday on a tour through southern Oregon. The band intends to make Portland and the Willamette valley its permanent home.

IF HARRIMAN SHOULD WIN, HILL MUST SELL AND RETIRE FROM NORTHWEST

President of Northern Securities Company States What Will Follow Loss of Northern and Burlington.

Says the People of the Northwest Will Then Be Left to Fight Out Their Own Battles—Rumor Has It That Harriman Is to Take Over Bellingham and British Columbia Railroad, Though Story Is Discredited.

St. Paul, April 9.—James J. Hill, president of the Northern Securities Company, returned to St. Paul from New York today. When asked what, in case Harriman is successful in his efforts to get control of the Northern Pacific, will be the policy of the Great Northern, Hill said:

"If Harriman wins, and also gets control of the Burlington, there will be nothing left for us to do but sell and retire, and leave the people of the northwest to fight out their own battles."

HARRIMAN'S LATEST DEAL.

Reported He Is to Take Over Bellingham Bay Railroad.

San Francisco, April 9.—Rumors that the Harriman interests are negotiating for purchase of the Belling-

ham Bay & British Columbia railroad have been received here.

P. B. Cornwall, president of the road, today declined to affirm or deny the probable sale of his property to Harriman.

"I know nothing of the intentions of Harriman or the Union Pacific," he said; "neither can I affirm the statement that the negotiations with the Northern Pacific have fallen through; but I guess Mr. Hill has all he can attend to in settling the merger business at present."

Discredits the Story.

Bellingham, April 9.—Superintendent Donovan of the B. B. & C. railway, when questioned tonight regarding the rumor from San Francisco that Harriman has purchased that road, said simply: "There is nothing in it."

He did not discuss the subject further than to show that he gave no credit to the rumor.

mission to any part of the grounds, all the buildings and the pike attractions. Pass No. 1 has been sent to Chief of Police Kieley of St. Louis, who will have charge of the distribution of visiting police officials.

UNUSUAL COURT RULING.

Justice Sends Defendant to Jail in Spite of Acquittal.

New York, April 9.—Although a jury in the supreme court has returned a verdict pronouncing James H. Temple, ex-president of the bankrupt William Campbell Wallpaper Company, not guilty of converting to his own use some \$40,000 of the funds of the company, Justice Rogers set aside the verdict and sent Temple back to jail where he already has been confined since early in January. The justice declared he was not satisfied with Temple's explanation on the witness stand, and ordered a new trial, holding the ex-president in \$25,000 bail, which he was unable to furnish. The ruling of the court is unusual and Temple's attorney will appeal. The case involved a sale of the company's interests in England which was negotiated partly by Temple.

AUTO BOAT CATCHES FIRE.

Exciting Affair Occurs During Races on Monaca Bay.

New York, April 9.—Contests between automobile boats on Monaca bay have developed an exciting sight, cables the Herald's correspondent at Montecarlo. Six of the racers were participating in a 250 kilometer contest when Parisienne Y, steered by Lin Currie, a well-known English yachtsman and nephew of Sir Donald Currie, took fire. The racer carried a large tank of petroleum and for a time it was feared that the crew of four would be roasted alive. They were finally rescued, having jumped overboard after two machinists had been seriously burned.

A torpedo boat finally got a line on the burning racer and it was towed in shore, but all efforts to subdue the fire failed and not much of the valuable machine was left when the petroleum burned out. A leak in one of the feed pipes is supposed to have been the origin of the fire.

Pass as Chinese.

New York, April 9.—Since March 15, according to a Herald dispatch from Peking, at least nine Japanese officials, dressed as Chinese, with a full staff of Chinese servants, have passed north through Kupeinko, Jehoe and Ping Tsuan toward Chao Yang, General Ma's headquarters. There are about 25,000 foreign drilled troops at Chao Yang.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN AGREEMENT GIVEN OUT

Overtures on the Part of England Looking to Adjustment of All Matters of Difference With Czar.

No Basis of Negotiation Was Stipulated, Nor Did England Go Into Detail About It.

DEFINITE RESULT UNLIKELY

Spanish Papers Complain Bitterly That Anglo-French Treaty Will Despoil the Moroccan Interests.

London, April 9.—The Associated Press learns that the exact status of the much forecasted Anglo-Russian understanding is as follows:

After King Edward had given his personal assurance to Emperor Nicholas that the anti-Russian comments in the British press did not represent the feeling of his government, Foreign Secretary Lansdowne informed the Russian ambassador, Count Benkendorff, that he would be glad to reopen negotiations looking to settlement of all matters now in discussion between Russia and Great Britain. Lord Lansdowne did not stipulate a basis or enter into details.

The negotiations are not likely to assume any definite phase in the near future. No great hope is felt here that they could ever reach a conclusion satisfactory to both countries, though in view of the Anglo-French agreement even most pessimists are unwilling to be too dogmatic on this point.

Spanish Are Dissatisfied.

Madrid, April 9.—The newspapers here comment somewhat bitterly on the Anglo-French colonial treaty, and assail the Spanish ministers, who, they declare, permitted Spain to be despoiled and her interests in Morocco obliterated.



ADMIRAL ALEXIEFF.

Admiral Alexieff, by reason of his position as Viceroy in the far east, is probably the most prominent Russian in the present crisis.

PHILIPPINES' NEW CAPITAL.

City Is to Be Beautiful One, 155 Miles From Manila.

Chicago, April 9.—Plans for the new capital of the Philippines were today made known by Secretary Taft. The secretary said:

"The new capital will be about 155 miles from Manila, on a plot of ground over 5,000 feet above the sea level, which will make it far more healthy for Americans.

"It is to be to the Philippines what Simla is to India, and will be of great benefit to the islands."

Alfonso Returns to Madrid.

Barcelona, April 9.—King Alfonso returned here this afternoon and was given an enthusiastic reception. The festivities were suspended on account of the death of Isabella.

Market Firm in General.

New York, April 9.—The stock market has maintained strength and breadth in spite of an irregularity and reaction in spots. The United States Steel stocks have been a sustaining

force, owing to the wings of revival in the iron trade in the quarterly report. The resistance of the market to bad news has encouraged the buying of stocks and the bond market has improved. Money remains very easy in spite of the gold exports. The strong copper market and the sale of a number of new railroad bond issues have been contributory factors to the strength of the market.

Biscuit Men Strike.

New York, April 9.—A general strike of the employes of the National Biscuit Company's factory in this city has been ordered because of the alleged discrimination against union men. About 300 workmen attended the meeting at which the strike was decided upon, but at least 1000 will be thrown out of work.

Series of Passes.

St. Louis, April 9.—The world's fair has issued a special series of passes for the use of high police officials of this and other countries during the exposition period. The passes are of ornate design and will be good for ad-



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